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Former Superintendent Wise Spending Habits Questioned

A new audit report shows former Christina School District Superintendent Joseph Wise used a school credit card for some questionable purchases.

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Another audit of the Christina School District finds problems with the way former Superintendent Joseph Wise used the school's credit card. State Auditor Tom Wagner found that Wise used the card 565 times during the 18-months he was superintendent to make more than 75-thousand dollars in purchases. "That's the salary of a teacher and a half, that's the salary of four or five para-professionals. It's a lot of money in a short period of time. In the grand total of their budget, they're small dollars, but it's indicative of the lack of oversight of the school board to the administration." He says it demonstrates, "a cavalier attitude of how district dollars are spent." Wagner says Wise used the card to make more than \$4,200 in personal purchases including alcohol and movie tickets. The audit urges the district to more closely monitor compliance with policies and procedures. You can find a the report in its entirety by clicking here.

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